

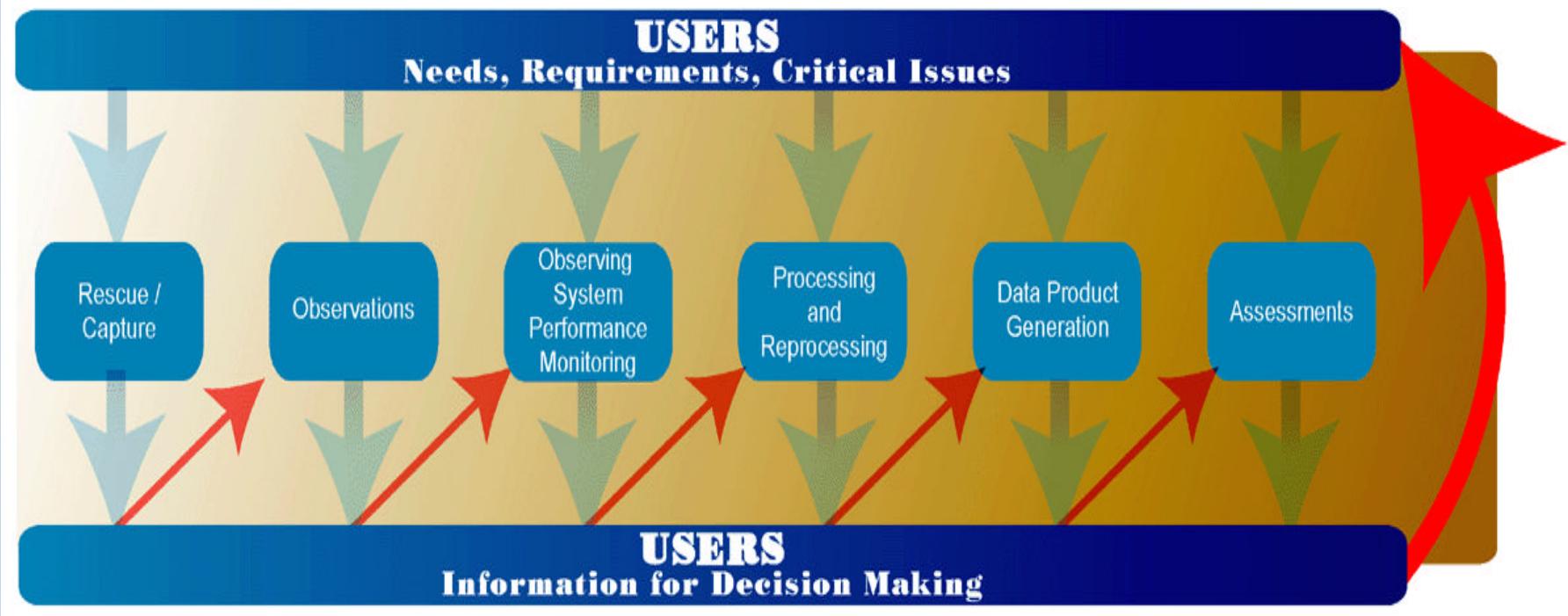
# **Observation System Overview, Assessment and Oversight**



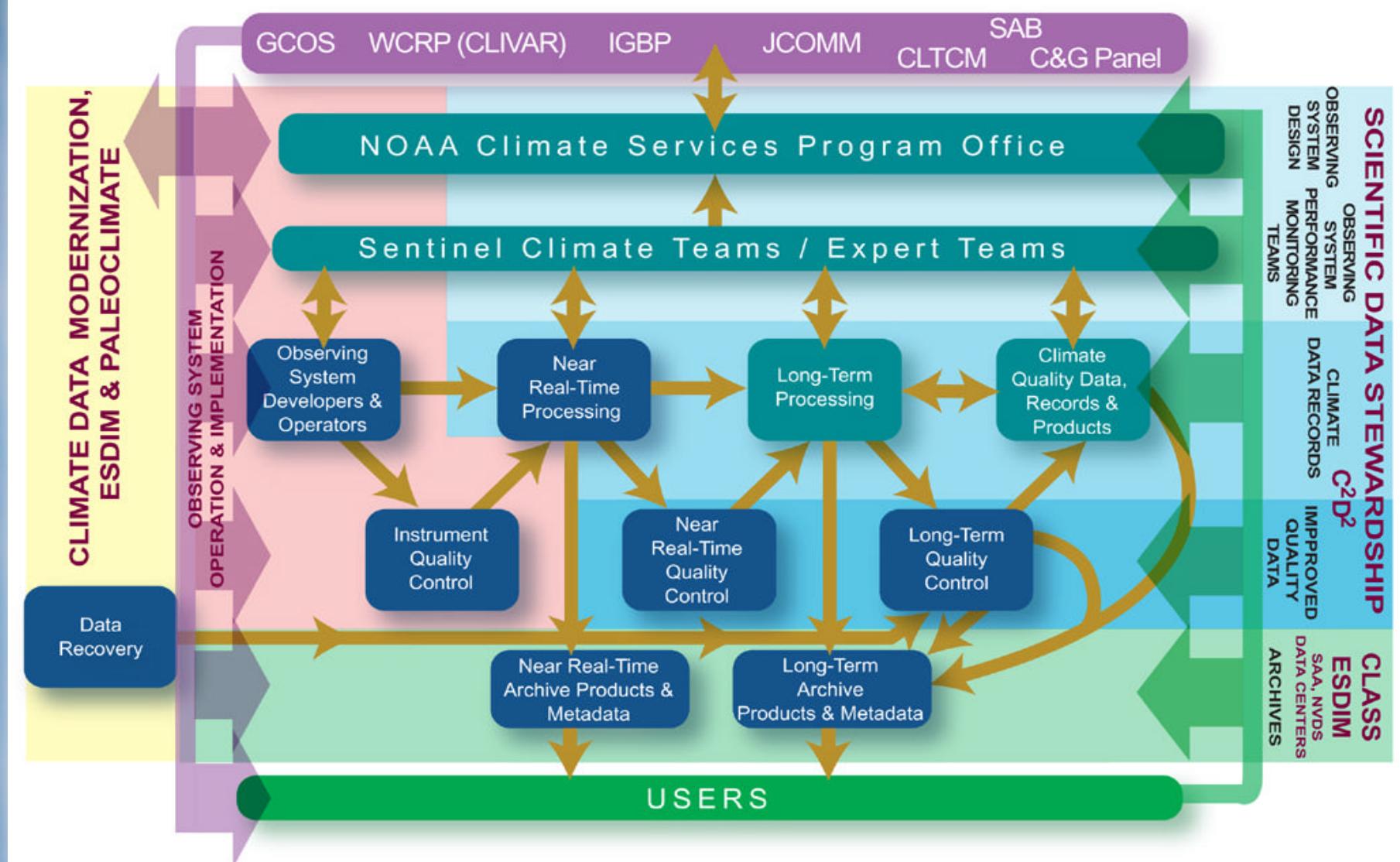
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# Overall Strategy

## NOAA END - TO - END



# NOAA Climate Observations & Monitoring

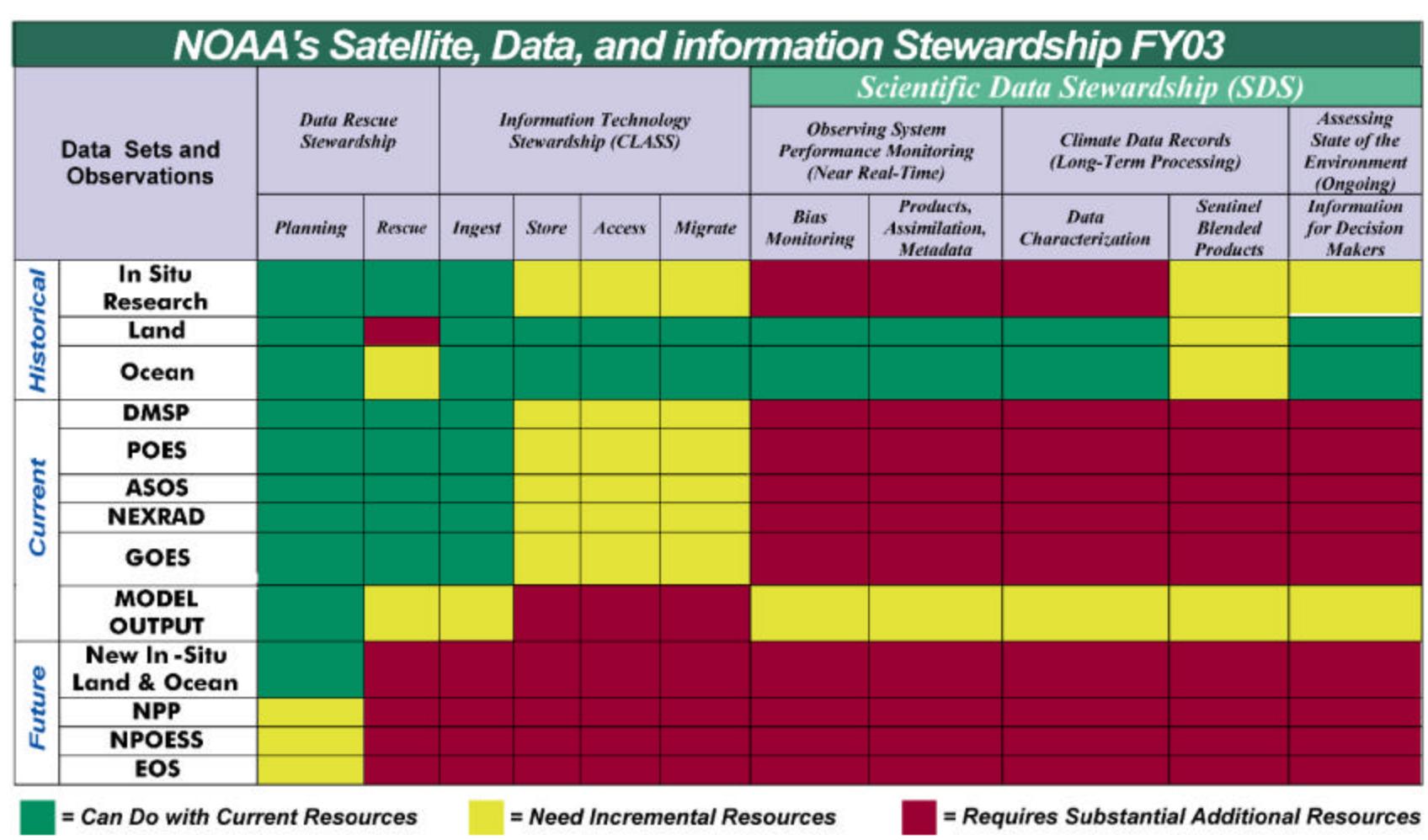


# Implementing NOAA's Scientific Data Stewardship

Status of NOAA Environmental Data Management FY2002										
Data Sets and Observations <sup>1</sup>		End-to-End Environmental Data Management Functions								
		CDMP / ESDIM		CLASS			/CDMP	SCIENTIFIC DATA STEWARDSHIP		
		Planning	Rescue	Ingest	Store	Access	Migrate	Metadata/Cataloging	Calibrate/Validate	Products
HISTORICAL	<i>In Situ</i> <sup>2</sup> -Centers of Data									
	NOAA National Data Centers									
	Coop/USHCN									
	GHCN									
	CARDS/COADS									
MODERNIZATION	DMSP									
	POES									
	ASOS									
	NEXRAD									
	GOES									
FUTURE	MODEL OUTPUT									
	New In-Situ Land & Ocean Observing Systems									
	NPP									
	NPOESS									
	EOS <sup>4</sup>									
 = Can Do with Current Resources		 = Requires Substantial Additional Resources								
 = Need Incremental Resources										



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Status of Major NOAA Climate-Related Observation Systems										
Observing System		End-to-End Observing and Monitoring								
		PLANNING	OPERATIONS				SCIENTIFIC DATA STEWARDSHIP			
RESEARCH	CO <sub>2</sub> Baseline Observations		COMPS	Geographic Coverage	Temporal Completeness	Network Perf. Measures	Processing	Maintenance	NRC Climate Principles	Post Processing
	Carbon Cycle									
	Atmos. Composition									
	Airplanes/Ships									
LAND	Climate Ref. Network									
	ASOS									
	COOP									
	Upper Air									
SPACE	POES									
	GOES									
	Heat									
	Sea Level									
OCEAN	Salts									
	Wind									
	Carbon									
	GOES-R									
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NOAA's National Climatic Data Center



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OCEAN	Global Observation			Data Management			Product Delivery			Regular Reports		
	Plan	Global Implementation	Validation	Data Assembly	Data Archive	Climate Data Record	Global Maps	Indexes	Time Series	State of the Ocean	Confidence Evaluation	Adequacy of the Observing System
upper ocean currents												
ocean surface wind & wind stress												
surface ocean temperature												
incoming surface shortwave radiation												
sea level/surface topography												
downwelling longwave radiation												
upper ocean surface salinity												
surface air temperature/humidity												
sea ice												
precipitation (fresh water/salinity flux)												
mid and deep ocean currents												
fresh water flux from rivers & ice melt												
sub-surface thermal structure												
evaporation												
sub-surface salinity structure												
geothermal heat flux--ocean bottom												
organic & inorganic effluents												
(into ocean)ocean biomass/phytoplankton												



# Recommendations

- ✓ Work toward a layered approach using all Observing and Data Management Systems
- ✓ Link to Observing System Architecture (NOSA) e.g., 199 Observing Systems

